

BOARD MEETINGS
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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(LOCAL)

**Limit on
Participation**

Audience participation at a Board meeting is limited to the public comment and public address portions of the meeting designated for that purpose. At all other times during a Board meeting, the audience shall not enter into discussion or debate on matters being considered by the Board, unless requested by the presiding officer.

Public Comment

At regular meetings the Board shall allot 30 minutes to hear persons who wish to make comments to the Board regarding topics that are not on the posted meeting agenda. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee no later than five minutes before the meeting is scheduled to begin and shall indicate the non-agenda topic about which they wish to speak.

No public comment presentation shall exceed five minutes. Delegations of more than five persons shall appoint one person to present their views before the Board.

Public Address

At all Board meetings, the Board shall hear during a public address portion of the meeting all persons who wish to address the Board regarding open meeting items to be considered by the Board as posted on the agenda for the meeting.

Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee by no later than five minutes before the meeting is scheduled to begin and shall indicate the open meeting agenda item or items about which they wish to speak. No speaker who signs up to speak during the public address portion of the meeting shall exceed two minutes when addressing the Board on any one open meeting agenda item; however, a speaker shall be permitted a maximum of two minutes to address each open meeting agenda item the speaker has listed on the signup sheet.

A member of the public who needs to address the Board through a translator must provide the translator and shall be given six minutes for each presentation.

Board's Response

Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting.

**Complaints and
Concerns**

The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person addressing the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively through resolution channels established by policy. If not, the person shall be referred to the appropriate policy (see list below) to seek resolution:

- Employee complaints: DGBA

- Student or parent complaints: FNG
- Public complaints: GF

Disruption

The Board shall not tolerate disruption of the meeting by members of the audience. If, after at least one warning from the presiding officer, any person continues to disrupt the meeting by his or her words or actions, the presiding officer may request assistance from law enforcement officials to have the person removed from the meeting.